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BOHEMIAN LITERATURE. - We have lately had occasion to look at some of the numerous specimens of magazine literature which are now contending for public favor as successors of the old Port Folio, the first monthly magazine of any note in this country. The Port Folio was originally started in Philadelphia in 1800, and was ably edited by Dennie, the celebrated essayist and "lay preacher." It counted among its contributors Richard Rush, John Quincy Adams, Nicholas Biddle, Robert Walsh, Charles Brockden Brown, Francis Hopkinson, Thomas Cadwallader, Gouverneur Morris and other eminent men. Among the contributors to the Monthly Anthology, started in Boston in 1803, were John Quincy Adams, J. S. Buckminster, George Ticknor and William Tudor, who founded the North American Review in 1815. Another early American periodical was the Analectic Magazine, started in Philadelphia. Its name was changed to Select Reviews by Washington Irving, who edited it for two years, and J. K. Paulding and Gulian C. Ver-planck contributed to it. Without enumerating other pioneers of the multitude of American magazines and reviews which have since appeared, and in nearly a hundred instances have also disappeared, we must say that when we compare those which flourished fifty or sixty years ago with those which are flourishing now the comparison is sadly unfavorable

In respect to two important particulars the comparison becomes a contrast. The spirit of the early American periodical literature was pure and undefiled, and the most tender religious susceptibilities were never offended. But now-a-days—our periodicals seem to vie with each other in making open or covert assaults upon religion and morality.

The whole mass of Bohemian literature is leavened with the spirit of infidelity and licentiousness. The professed satires levelled against licentiousness, and particularly against the indecent exposures which are now so common on the stage and in the fashionable ball-room, are less calculated to shock and alarm than to compete as closely as possible with the fatal fascinations which they pretend to condemn. The Bohemian satirists fairly gloat over the indccencies which they describe with a suspicious affectation of holy horror. They emulate in which they denounce. They dilate with peculiar satisfaction on the naked truth as illustrated by the "salacious sprites" of the ballet. They scatter "words that burn," even when they aim at saying that music and scenery and effects are merely the pretext for representing the unchaste convolutions of the goddesses of impudicity at the fullest angle of lewdness and through the rosy medium of amorous sugges-

The "mob of gentlemen that write with ease" is doubtless larger than in the infancy of American periodical literature. But we cannot admit that such contributors to it as Dennie, Washington Irving, Buckminster, Edward H. Everett, Geo. Ticknor, and others who might be mentioned, have been surpassed as writers by those whose names now figure conspicuously in flaming lists of magazinists and reviewers. As we have already intimated, our modern periodical writers in their most elaborate disquisitions too often betray the corrupting influence of the very evils against which they inveigh. Their flowery pages ex-hale a poisonous odor; and like the fig leaves in the basket of the Egyptian queen (to borrow an illustration,) are defiled by the asp's trail and slime, while the sly worm lurks be-

This degeneracy of Bohemian literature is not unaccountable, however, if we remember approval that it mirrors and reflects here, and in the midst of the nineteen the century, such scenes as are represented with impunity upon the stage—scenes for which no parallel can be found save at Rome in its worst days, at the lascivious and effeminate court of Byzantium, at Herculaneum, at Pompeli, or at Sodom and Gomorrah.

N. Y. Herald.

PATRICK'S ATTEMPT AT GERMAN. -Frederick of Prussia, had a mania for enlisting gigantic soldiers into the Royal Guards, and paid an enormous bounty to his recruiting officer for getting them. One day the recuiting sergeant chanced to spy a Hibernian, who was at least seven feet high; he accosted him in English, and proposed that he should calist. The idea of military life and a large bounty so delighted Patrick that he immediately consented. But, unless you can speak German the king

will not give you so much.' Oh, Tsaid the Irishman, 'sure it's I that don't know a word of German.

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MENTALLY.—The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded. Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Averson to Society, Self Distrust Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced:

yous and emaciated, having a singular appear ance about the eyes, Cough, and Symptoms of YOUNG MEN,

Who have injured themselves by a certain practice, indulged in, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and, if not cured, renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind

and body, should apply immediately. What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the pride of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature, and indulging in a certain se-cret habit. Such persons must, before contem-

plating MARRIAGE, reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial hap-Indeed, without these the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view, the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with your own.

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